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FOR OPTIMIZING PACKET  
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Dear Sir:

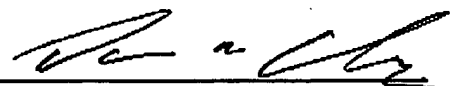
Applicant(s) hereby request an extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated January 10, 2005. This one (1) month extension will extend the due date from April 10, 2005 to May 10, 2005. An appropriate response in the form of an Amendment is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the extension fee of \$120 to our Deposit Account No. 19-2179. Please also charge this deposit account for any additional fees required, or credit any overpayment, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25.

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